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FOLLOWING REPEAT EC BRUSSELS 9096 ACTION SECSTATE INFO MANILA

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QUOTE

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DEPT PASS STR FOR LANDE

MANILA FOR CHENEY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EMIN, EEC, RP

SUBJECT: US/PHILIPPINES TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

1. DCM AT PHILIPPINE EMBASSY AT BRUSSELS, WILFREDD VEGA, ASKED MISSION OFFICER TO PASS MESSAGES TO STEPHEN LANDE IN STR AND ECONCOUNS EDWARD CHENEY AT AMEMBASSY MANILA. VEGA PLANS TO BE IN MANILA FOR ABOUT THREE WEEKS BEGINNING ABOUT SEPTEMBER 28 FOR THE IBRD/IFM ANNUAL MEETING AND OTHER MEETINGS. VEGA, WHO IS CHAIRMAN OF THE PHILIPPINE PANEL OF THE U/PHILIPPINE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS, SUGGESTS THIS WILL BE GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO HOLD A NEGOTIATING SESSION ON US/PHILIPPINE TRADE AGREEMENT. VEGA SUGGESTS THAT LANDE

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CAN CALL HIM AT THE PHILIPPINE EMBASSY IN

BRUSSELS (TEL: 672-33-73) FROM 3-5:00 P.M. LOCAL TIME ON
SEPTEMBER 20-24. IF THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE, CHENEY CAN REACH HIM
AT THE GOP FOREIGN MINISTRY THE FOLLOWING WEEK.

2. VEGA ADDED THAT REGARDING TRADE NEGOTIATIONS THE GOP CAN BE
"FLEXIBLE" TOWARD TRADE ISSUES BUT IT CANNOT CHANGE ITS POSITION
TOWARD U.S. PROPOSED "NON-DISCRIMINATORY TREATMENT" OF FOREIGN
PRIVATE DIRECT INVESTMENT. VEGA WILL BE RETURNING FROM MANILA
IN MID-OCTOBER, AT WHICH TIME HE COULD POSSIBLY STOP IN WASHINGTON
SHOULD THIS BE CONVENIENT. HINTON
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